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Free Tax Seminar and Resource Expo to Help Small Businesses Succeed BOE Small Business Tax Seminar in Escondido on March 7

Sacramento – Business owners, entrepreneurs, and individuals who would like to start a business are invited to attend a free [Small Business Seminar and Resource Expo](#) on Thursday, March 7, 2013 in Escondido. Michelle Steel, Vice Chair of the California State Board of Equalization (BOE), the Escondido Chamber of Commerce, and the City of Escondido are sponsoring this event.

Business owners seeking help understanding sales and use tax, small business ownership, and marketing for small businesses will receive valuable information through presentations given by representatives from the BOE, the Employment Development Department, Franchise Tax Board, Internal Revenue Service, and the U.S. Small Business Administration.

Event: Small Business Tax Seminar and Resource Expo
Date: Thursday, March 7, 2013
Time: 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. (check-in begins at 8:30 a.m.)
Place: California Center for the Arts Conference Center
340 N. Escondido Blvd.
Escondido, CA 92025

Registration: 1-888-847-9652 or [online](#)

Learn more about a variety of BOE's other [in-person classes](#) and [online seminars](#).

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Elected to the Board of Equalization in 2006 and re-elected in 2010, Michelle Steel serves as *Southern California's elected taxpayer advocate*. In December 2007, Steel discovered the Board of Equalization had delayed the return of millions of dollars in security deposits owed to California businesses. Procedures were changed due to Steel's decisive leadership. Following her investigation, the tax agency refunded tax security deposits to over 5,500 small businesses. To date, over \$100 million in security deposits have been returned to taxpayers.

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The five-member California State Board of Equalization (BOE) is a publicly elected tax board. The BOE collects more than \$53.7 billion annually in taxes and fees supporting state and local government services. It hears business tax appeals, acts as the appellate body for franchise and personal income tax appeals, and serves a significant role in the assessment and administration of property taxes. For more information on other taxes and fees in California, visit www.taxes.ca.gov.

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